

The Honorable Michael K. Powell
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

As a customer of DIRECTV, I am writing to urge you to reconsider your decision to deny the merger between Echo Star and Directv.

As a consumer I should have the right to decide whether the merger is in my best interest or not. But having no public hearing has denied me the right to voice my desire.

I respectfully request that the participants be allowed to reapply and public hearings be held in a fashion that would allow the current as well as future consumers of the service voice their opinions about the merger.

It would be wrong to do otherwise. As consumers, we should have the right to spend our money where we please and with whom.

It is hard to believe that Rupert Murdoch has the power to tell me that I must spend my money with him now that he is surely going to be given FCC approval to purchase Directv.....it is little wonder that Americans has a low opinion of those in Washington.

Respectfully,

Larry R. Gensman

Sincerely,

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